

Absentee: Postal Voting

After a postal absentee ballot request is received, processed and approved, the absentee ballot is mailed to the voter. Absentee ballots are required by state law to be mailed, regardless of the method used to apply for them.

HOW DO I GET A POSTAL ABSENTEE BALLOT?

Voters may apply for and request a postal absentee ballot by one of the following four ways:

1. in person at the Brunswick County Board of Elections office, 10 Referendum Drive, Building F, Bolivia, NC, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., M-F.
2. via an "Absentee Request Form". The voter submits a completed and signed "Absentee Request Form" that is available only from the Brunswick County Board of Elections office.
3. in writing. The voter submits a **handwritten** request that states the following:
 - A. the election for which he/she would like an absentee ballot
 - B. the voter's name as listed on the voter registry. Please print.
 - C. the voter's date of birth
 - D. the voter's physical address in Brunswick County
 - E. the address to which the voter would like the absentee ballot mailed
 - F. a daytime phone number
 - G. the voter's signature.
4. via a legal guardian or near relative. A voter may direct a verifiable legal guardian or a near relative (spouse, parent, grandparent, child, grandchild, brother, sister, stepparent, stepchild, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law) to do ONE of the following:
 - A. go to the Brunswick County Board of Elections office and complete an "Absentee Request Form" on his/her behalf
 - B. submit a **handwritten** request on his/her behalf which includes:
 - a. items A-F in #3 above
 - b. the guardian/near relative's printed name
 - c. the guardian/near relative's relationship to the voter
 - d. the guardian/near relative's physical address in Brunswick County
 - e. the guardian/near relative's signature.